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Standing Dues Paid

Harris County Sheriff
Texas City
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Individual – Jeanne Canales

Members in Good

Standing Grace Period

Angleton
Brenham
Dickinson
Galveston
Galveston Sheriff
Harris Co. Constable Pct. 4
Houston
Humble
Kemah
Lake Jackson
Liberty County
Montgomery County Sheriff
Pasadena
Pearland
Richmond
Santa Fe
Sugar Land
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Individual – LaVonne Walker

Other R1 Associations

Austin County
Baytown
Beaumont Tri Agency
Brazoria County Sheriff
Bryan
College Station
Deer Park
Harris County Sheriff
LaPorte
Lufkin
Matagorda County Sheriff
Missouri City
Nacogdoches
Seabrook
Shenandoah
Silsbee
Smithville
Stafford
Tomball

The February meeting will be on Saturday, February 13, 2010 in Lake Jackson at 10:00 A.M. at the Lake Jackson Police Department. From Highway 288 into Lake Jackson, you will go over an overpass for County Road 2004 and then another overpass for Oyster Creek Drive. As you pass the second overpass, you will pass through a signal light. The second signal light is Oak Drive. (You will see the city water tower on the left). Turn left on Oak Drive. The Police Department is the First building on the left. If you come down FM 2004 to Highway 288, turn left on Hwy. 288 to Oak Drive. If you need directions, LJPD phone is 979-415-2700. LJCPAAA President Barry Tidwell's cell phone is 979-655-5058.

Please bring your liaison officer so we can have a liaison officer's forum.

A full breakfast will be served at 9:30 A.M.
The March meeting will be in Houston.

STATE AND NATIONAL CPA MEETINGS

Have you ever attended a CPA Convention? (They are now called Texas CPAA & Law Enforcement Annual Training <state> and Annual Training Conference <national>, but by definition, it is easier to refer to them as conventions). Have you ever investigated what goes on by going to their web site or talked to someone who has attended? We believe that these meetings are an integral part of the whole CPA experience and if you don't attend one occasionally, you are missing out on this experience. They are informational and entertaining and the hosts always make the extra effort to make you welcome and to experience something that you won't forget.

There are two **CPA Conventions** scheduled for this year. The **Texas State Convention** will be in Bryan/College Station on August 11, 2010 through August 13, 2010. The **National CPA Convention** will be in Hilton Head, South Carolina on May 10, 2010 through May 14, 2010. See web sites elsewhere in this newsletter for information.

Treasurer's Report (submitted by Georgie Benavides)	
Balance 11-30-09	\$2,104.48
Receipts:	
Dues	<u>10.00</u>
No Disbursements	
Balance 12-31-09	<u>\$2,114.48</u>
Scholarship Fund:	
Balance 11-30-09	\$7,103.26
Interest Received	<u>3.25</u>
Balance 12-31-09	<u>\$7,106.51</u>

Dues. Association dues of \$30.00 for 2010 are due. Individual dues are available for \$10.00. Under our bylaws, a member association has a 90 day grace period to pay dues. After that (the end of March, 2010), they will not be in good standing and will not be eligible to vote. Dues may be paid at the Region One meetings or mailed to Delores Gant, 2311 Anthony Lane, Pearland, Texas 77581-3710.

Sponsors are needed for the 2011 convention sponsored by Region One. See your November Flash for the solicitation letter and other info. Potential sponsors make their budgets far ahead and now is the time to sign them up.

Schedule for 2010:

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| January 9 – Angleton | July 10 - Galveston |
| February 13 – Lake Jackson | August 14 – Sugar Land |
| March 13 - Houston | September 11 – Montgomery County |
| April 10 - | October 9 - |
| May 8 – Santa Fe | November 13 – Texas City |
| June 12 - Pearland | December 11 – |

ALUMNI NEWS

Send news via e-mail to m-deal@sbcglobal.net for the minutes and to charl.bill@yahoo.com for the Flash. You can send your news in for publication even if you aren't able to attend the meeting and present it there. We would like to know what is going on in your alumni association, but if you don't send it in, we won't know.

Angleton. This year our Blue Santa provided Christmas for over 120 children. There were many bikes and almost every child received one. The Angleton CPA is planning another day trip to Couthatta in February. There are two buses going so there is room for everyone. See or contact Dottie Duby at the Angleton PD if you would like more information on this fun trip. In December we named two of our alumni as Alumni of the Year: JJ Landry and Jan Greer. Both ladies worked hard this year to make our alumni association great. January 18 thru 22 the Angleton Police Department is hosting the National Drug Dog Trials. This is an interesting event. The ACPAAA and Pearland CPAAA will provide hospitality for the event.

Reported by Norma DeWeese

Brenham. The Brenham CPAAA is off to a running start in 2010. We hosted the Guns and Hoses Blood Drive along with the Fire Dept. on January 20th and 23rd. On Wednesday the 20th, the mobile unit was stationed in the downtown area and on Saturday the 23rd, we had the drive at the Fireman's Training center. Hotdogs and other food items were served and a large crowd showed up to donate the gift of life. Class 24 began on January 21st with 28 in attendance. A BBQ sandwich meal was provided for the class, introductions were made, photos for ID's were taken and the class was given a tour of the building. They seem like a very enthusiastic group! The Citizens on Patrol held their awards banquet for 2009 on January 25th. Total hours for the year were 3957 and awards of key chains, shirts, and certificates were presented to members for hours achieved during the year.

Reported by Chris Pieper

Dickinson. DCPAAA Class 19 is starting on February 11. Crime Prevention Liaison event for the week of April 11 is being planned. Another field trip is in planning stage for next month. A COPS training class will be held the last of February or first of March. Chief Ron Morales reported that the Warrant Bank calls have brought in over \$26,000 over the projected income. DCPAAA has 130 paid members. An 11th Anniversary Dinner will be held February 13th. A Hotdog Fundraiser is being planned for March. *Reported by Marilyn Decker*

Galveston County Sheriff. The Galveston County Sheriff's Office hosted the International Association of Marine Investigators Conference in January. Our CSA volunteered to help with that event. Also, at the conference we raffled off a Glock 40 caliber handgun which was donated through the S.O. We raised \$1,454.00 on the raffle. The 13th session of the Galveston County Citizen Sheriff's Academy will be held every Wednesday, beginning January 27th, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm at Queen of Peace Church in LaMarque.

Houston. As reported last month, we collected over \$48,000 and packed over 3500 boxes of food in the "Comida" Food Drive. 41 HCPAAA volunteers logged 880 hours in this endeavor collecting money and food at 14 Fiesta stores over a 4 day period and packing the boxes. Our president presented the Honor Cadet award to the outstanding cadet at the HPD graduation ceremonies on January 6th. CPA Class 42 will start on March 25th. We are looking forward to our participation in the C.E.R.T. Rodeo on February 20th. We will be hosting the Region One meeting in March. *Reported by Charles Billingsley*

December Meeting. The January meeting was held in Angleton on January 9th. An informative and timely program on "How to Help Control the Spread of Flu" was presented by Jo Magel and free shots were offered to those who wanted them. The new officers and directors as shown above were sworn in. A meeting was held after the business meeting for an update on the 2011 Convention by David Miller. Thanks to Angleton for the hospitality and refreshments.

One day my mummy was out and my daddy was in charge of me.

I was about 2 1/2 years old and had just recovered from an accident.

Someone had given me a little tea set as a get-well gift and it was one of my favorite toys.

Daddy was in the living room engrossed in the evening news so I brought Daddy a little cup of tea, which was just water. After several cups of tea and lots of praise for such yummy tea, my Mummy came home.

My Daddy made her wait in the living room to watch me bring him a cup of tea, because it was just the cutest thing! My Mummy waited, and sure enough, here I come down the hall with a cup of tea for Daddy and she watches him drink it up.

Then she says, (as only a mother would know)

'Did it ever occur to you that the only place she can reach to get water is the toilet'?

The C-Nile Virus

Causes you to send the same e-mail twice.

Causes you to send a blank e-mail.

Causes you to send e-mail to the wrong person.

Causes you to send it back to the person who sent it to you.

Causes you to forget to attach the attachment.

Causes you to hit "send" before you're finished.

Causes you to hit "Delete" instead of send

Causes you to hit "send" when you meant "delete".



Boring but important!

The following items have been in the Flash almost every issue and the reason we keep repeating them is because they are important, so pay attention if they apply to or affect you.

Don't miss a communication! *If you change your e-mail address and don't notify us causing delivery of the Flash to be denied, you are dropped from our e-mail list. Be sure to notify us at Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com immediately if your e-mail address changes or if you don't get a Flash each month..*

When you sign in at a meeting, please print your name. There are always names on the sign in sheet that are unreadable and you don't get credit for attending.

WEB SITES AND ADDRESSES.

The state convention web site is <http://tcpaacconvention.org>.

The Texas CPAAA state web site is <http://TexasCPAAA.org>. **Dues are \$10.00 per year (included in Convention Registration).**

Region One is a link on the Texas CPAAA state web site.

The web site for the National CPAA is www.nationalecpaa.org. **Dues are \$25.00 per year.**

The Web Master's e-mail is Leo@TexasCPAAA.org.

The address for the 2011 Convention is Convention 2011, P.O. Drawer V, Dickinson, Texas 77539-2022. The co-chairs for the convention (for which we are eternally thankful and grateful) are Charles Suderman, Dickinson, csud2@comcast.net and David Miller, Pearland, sdmillers@yahoo.com.

The new address of the state organization is Texas CPAAA, c/o Dorris Murdock, 1400 Bradford Trace Drive, Allen, Texas 75002. The old address may appear on some forms

IF YOU HAVE A FUNCTION COMING UP, OR HAVE SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO REGION ONE MEMBERS, SUBMIT IT AND IT WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE FLASH. SEND TO CHARL.BILL@YAHOO.COM.

If you are unable to open the Flash or have trouble doing so, it is posted immediately on the Region One web site and can be printed from there.

I became confused when I heard the word 'service' used with these agencies:

Internal Revenue 'Service'
U.S. Postal 'Service'
Telephone 'Service'
Cable TV 'Service'
Civil 'Service'
State, City, County & Public 'Service'
Customer 'Service'

This is not what I thought 'service' meant.

But today, I overheard two farmers talking,
and one of them said he had hired a bull to
'service' a few cows.

BAM!!! It all came into focus.

Now I understand what all those agencies are doing to us.

Note to the Weather Bureau – I just shoveled 2 inches of partly cloudy out of my driveway.